

REMARKS

Claims 1 – 22 are pending in the application. Claims 9 and 10 have been cancelled. Claims 1, 3, 11, 18, and 22 have been amended. Claims 1-8, and 11-22 accordingly remain pending in the application.

Claim 10 was objected to by the Examiner.

Claims 1, 18 and 22 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Li (U.S. Patent No. 6,760,577) (hereinafter “Li”). Although Applicant respectfully traverses at least portions of this rejection, Applicant has amended the claims to expedite allowance. More particularly, Applicant has amended the claims to include features that were previously recited in dependent Claims 9 and 10.

Claims 3, 5, 7 – 9, 11 – 12 and 19 stood rejected under U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Li in view of Wu, et al (U.S. Patent No. 6,968,167) (hereinafter “Wu”). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

Claim 6 stood rejected under U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Li in view of Wu, and in further view of Huscroft et al (U.S. Patent No. 5,512,860) (hereinafter “Huscroft”). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

Claims 14 and 15 stood rejected under U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Li in view of Liu (U.S. Patent No. 7,184,737) (hereinafter “Liu”). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

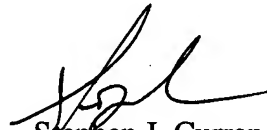
Applicant submits that none of the cited references, taken either singly, or in combination, teach or suggest the combination of features recited in Applicant’s claims. Accordingly, Applicant submits claims 1, 18, and 22, along with their respective dependent claims, patentably distinguish over Li, over Li in view of Wu, over Li in view of Wui and in further view of Huscroft, and over Li in view of Liu.

CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that all pending claims are now in condition for allowance, and an early notice to that effect is earnestly solicited. If a phone interview would speed allowance of any pending claims, such is requested at the Examiner's convenience.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account No. 501505\5797-00100.

Respectfully submitted,



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